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LAMOINE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 7, 2008 AT 5:30 P.M.
AT THE LAMOINE TOWN HALL
LAMOINE, MAINE

**NOTE: AT 7:00 P.M. BUDGET MEETING WITH LAMOINE BUDGET
COMMITTEE**

Members Present: Faith Perkins, Chair; Nancy Sargent, Christina Maguire-Harding,
Kathleen Rybarz
Members Late: None
Members Absent: Robert Pulver
Staff Present: Val Perkins, Principal; James S. Boothby, Superintendent
Other: Allan Davis

1. The meeting was called to orders at 5:38 p.m.
2. **CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF 3/3/08**

A motion was made by Christina Harding, seconded by Nancy Sargent, **to accept the Minutes of 3/3/08 as amended as follows:** Item 7. H. should read:
....Board and administration should prepare information regarding the current best practices in education to share with parents and towns people at the Town meeting.

Vote: Yes 3 No 0

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS (15 Minutes)**

None

4. **REVIEW OF AGENDA**

Added Item 7.F. under "New Business"

"Motion to Allow the Superintendent to Post Notice of Amounts Adopted at Town Meeting"

5. **COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS**

A. **Chairperson** – Faith Perkins welcomed Kathleen Rybarz.

B. **Administration**

1. **Principal's Report** – A copy of Mr. Perkins's written report will be made a part of the official minutes.
2. **Superintendent's Report** – A copy of Superintendent Boothby's written report will be made a part of the official minutes.

C. Standing Committee Reports

1. **Building Committee** - No report

- D. Warrant Signatures** – Warrant #10 in the amount of \$131,290.27 was signed by the School Committee.

6. OLD BUSINESS

A. Update on Consolidation

A great deal of activity is occurring in the Legislature around 1932 as amended. Both the Senate and the House passed the bill as amended, and the Governor vetoed the bill. A bill was offered by Rob Eaton to the House for repeal which was passed and moved to the Senate.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. Election of Officers

This item was tabled.

B. Renovation Project Bid Award

A motion was made by Christina Harding, seconded by Nancy Sargent, **to award the renovation bid project to Nichols Construction of Hudson, Maine.**

Vote: Yes 3 No 0

C. Calendar Adjustments 2007-2008

Following a discussion, **a motion was made** by Nancy Sargent, seconded by Christine Harding, **to amend the current year calendar by making May 23, 2008 a student day; moving the teacher professional development day to the end of the calendar, and establishing the last student day as June 16, 2008 (barring any additional storm days).**

D. Truancy Update

Superintendent Boothby provided information regarding the new truancy law and interpretation of the law. Specifically, the new law focuses on students who are truant up through and including the sixth grade, not through 12th grade as originally understood.

E. Acceptance of Resignation and Discuss Next Steps

A motion was made by Nancy Sargent, seconded by Christine Harding, to accept a letter of resignation, with regret, from Principal Val Perkins effective at the end of the 2007-2008 school year.

Vote: Yes 2 No 0 Abst. 1 (C.H.)

A lengthy discussion was held regarding the next steps for a Principal search and who would make up the interview team. It was decided the interview team would be comprised of: Superintendent, (2) teachers, (2) school board members, (1) community member, and (1) staff member. Mr. Boothby was asked to share the current job description with the school board and prepare a draft for the job posting.

F. Motion to Allow the Superintendent to Post Notice of Amounts Adopted at Town Meeting

Following a discussion, **a motion was made by Christine Harding, seconded by Nancy Sargent, that pursuant to 20-A M.R.S.A. §§ 1486(2) and 2307, the form of Notice of Amounts Adopted at Town Meeting be approved, and that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized and directed to complete said Notice in accordance with the town meeting at which the school budget is approved, and to cause said notice, as completed, to be delivered to the town clerk for display at all polling places for the school budget validation referendum to be held following the town meeting.**

Vote: Yes 3 No 0

8. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Board Requests for Information

None

B. **Board Comments**

Nancy Sargent asked questions regarding the Maine Learning Results, current curriculum, and current teaching practices.

C. **Future Agenda Items**

- May: FY 09 Budget Adoption
- Transportation Contract
- Election of Officers
- Cash Handling
- Make-up of Hiring Committee

D. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, May 5, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. at the Lamoine Town Hall.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn was made by Christine Harding at 6:50 p.m.

Attest: a true record

James S. Boothby
Secretary